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SUBJ: AD HOC WORKING GROUP HERE AND WORKING

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1. THE AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON CHILE (ALLANA COMMISSION)  
ARRIVED WITH DUE BUT UNEVENTFUL FANFARE JULY 12. AT THE  
AIRPORT DIEYE, THE ACTING CHAIRMAN OF THE GROUP, READ A  
STATEMENT ON THE BACKGROUND, CONDITIONS AND PURPOSES OF  
THE VISIT. THE LOCAL PRESS REPORTS THAT THE STATEMENT WAS  
RELEASES SIMULTANEOUSLY IN NEW YORK AND GENEVA.

2. THE THREE-MEMBER AD HOC WORKING GOUPE ON CHILE LIMITED  
ITS ACTIVITIES JULY  
13, ITS FIRST FULL DAY IN CHILE, TO  
MOSTLY PROTOCOL FUNCTIONS. THE THREE COMMISSION MEMBERS  
CALLED ON PRESIDENT PINOCHET AND MEMBERS OF THE JUNTA (AIR  
FORCE CHIEF OF STAFF GENERAL JOSE MARTIN LEMA PINCH HIT  
FOR AIR FORCE JUNTA MEMBER GENERAL GUSTAVO LEIGH, WHO IS  
TOURING NORTHERN CHILE). EARLIER, FOREIGN MINISTER  
HERNAN CUBILLOS AND INTERIOR MINISTER SERGIO FERNANDEZ  
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HAD RECEIVED THEM. AFTER HIS MEETING WITH THE WORKING  
GROUP, CUBILLOS TOLD THE PRESS THAT THE VISIT REPRESENTED  
AN "HISTORICAL STEP WITHOUT PRECEDENT" AND EXPRESSED  
CONFIDENCE THAT THE GROUP WOULD PERFORM ITS DUTIES WITH  
OBJECTIVITY AND LEAVE FAVORABLY IMPRESSED. THE WORKING  
GROUP ALSO MANAGED, TO SQUEEZE IN A VISIT TO THE SUPREME  
COURT, AND LISTEN TO AN APPEAL FROM THE INTERIOR MINISTRY

OF A SANTIAGO COURT OF APPEALS RULING JULY 11 REQUIRING THE GOC TO ESTABLISH STRONGER JUSTIFICATION FOR ITS RECENT EXPULSION OF THREE PERSONS RELEASED UNDER THE APRIL 18 AMNESTY. THR RULING THREATENS TO RESTRICT THE GOC'S POWER TO EXPEL PEOPLE UNDER STATE OF EMERGENCY AUTHORITY. (WE WILL BE REPORTING ON THE CASE WHEN THE SUPREME COURT RULING IS HANDED DOWN). A COURTESTY CALL ON SUPREME COURT PRESIDENT ISRAEL BORQUEZ BY THE WORKING GROUP IS PROGRAMMED FOR TODAY, JULY 14.

3. THE LOCAL MEDIA HAVE HAVE BEEN EXPHASIZING THE FACT THAT CHILE IS THE FIRST COUNTRY TO ACCEPT A VISIT BY THE UNHRC. GOC UN AMBASSADOR SERGIO DIEZ, ARRIVING ON THE SAME FLIGHT AS THE GROUP, EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT OTHER COUNTRIES THAT HAVE ATTACKED CHILE ON HUMAN RIGHTS GROUNDS WILL NOW DO LIKEWISE. "EL MERCURIO" IN A NEWS STORY THE DAY OF THE GROUP'S ARRIVAL AND AGAIN JULY 14 IN AN EDITORIAL REFERRED TO AN EFFORT BY THE SOVIET UNION AND CUBA TO HAVE THE VISIT CANCELLED ON GROUNDS THAT NOT ALL MEMBERS WERE ABLE TO COME. "EL MERCURIO" FINDS THIS A CLEAR INDICATION THAT THE SOVIETS DO NOT WANT CHILE'S HUMAN RIGHTS DIFFICULTIES TO BE RESOLVED.  
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